

# A Declaration of the Maids of the City of LONDON,



**W**EE the subordinate Subjects of this Common-wealth; do Declare our selves to joyn with the Apprentices of this City, &c: by way of down-right Honesty, for the encrease of the City force against this Army-fied Parliament:

And we doe Declare, That to prevent all Hostile Incurfion upon us, from this Army or Parliament; that the said Apprentices shall enter us by way of Lifting; and if they doe advance; we hope it will never be beyond the Line of Communication.

We shall be ready to serve in the same Service with them, to maintain and secure our Forts from the upstart Preachers; who without our call; will be daring to thrust themselves into our Pulpits.

And therefore, first, We Declare against the Coblers single-soul conscience, which they call tender, with their Independent Pumpson; and against their pretended Liberty, to leap into our Trenches; without we joyn in our Resolution against them of an Upright Occupation: they may Underlay us at last: *Kiffin* the Glover, had like even nigh to make us run mad with his Heretical Thimble: And *Canne* — that Independent Ring-leader, to set up the Fifth Monarchy, and his followers, will never leave fluttering about our Sconces, in a way of a Spye.

Nay the Sly *Anabaptist* must needs pretend Dipping, and so sneak priviledges into us to cast our Water, that he may know where our strength lyes.

And the poor Innocent *Adamite*, that is stript of all fencing stratagems; yet he is ever prepared to beat up our quarters; and having naked truth for his Standard, will often be ready to enter our sensitive out-works.

The *Seeker* may disturb our night-watch; being sure groping in the dark; but their weak judgements will reach no further.

The *Quakers* who are now flourishing without colours; and indeed even ready to affright us with their dismall looks; yet we bid defiance to all such as quake, before they scale our Wall.

And we further do Declare in spite of all this Crew of Vermine; according to our Feminine faculty; we will keep them at a distantical posture; Vowing a Maiden magnanimity, in opposition to all Conventrickling conjugations; so standing upon the consciencious Liberty of our unresolved Virginity; We here unanimously Vote, to render our selves to the use aforesaid; for bringing in of the right Proprietor, which alone can settle us against the Fictions and Factions, which our Flesh and Blood cannot endure.

Therefore stand to it Fellow-doers and sufferers;

*And we shall live and dye for you;  
stand to you, and fall with you.*

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